(e) if so, the action proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Insurgency in North East and Kashmir

1195. SHRI S.AGNIRAJ: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total value of loss of property and lives in the North East and Kashmir due to insurgency;

(b) whether it is a fact that insurgency is increasing at a fast pace in these regions; and

(c) what steps are being taken to contain the insurgency activities across the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Figures regarding value of loss of property are not maintained. Details of killings in J&K and North East during 2000 and till February 14, 2001 are as follows:

Sl. No.	State	Security forces Killed		Civilians Killed		Militants Killed	
		2000	2001 till 14.2	2000	2001 till 14.2	2000	2001 till 14.2
1.	J&K	482	58	762	124	1520	132
2.	Assam	76	11	419	51	321	43
3.	Nagaland	4	—	13	2	84	6
4.	Manipur	51	3	93	5	102	14
5.	Tripura	17	1	360	40	38	3
6.	Meghalaya	7	4	7	—	15	3
7.	Mizoram	7	—	4	—	1	—
8.	Arunachal	3	—	7	3	24	—
	TOTAL:	647	77	1665	225	2105	201

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Steps taken by the Government to combat militancy include, *inter alia*, deployment of Central Para military Forces and Army; improved coordination and sharing of intelligence between the security forces; as well as between the Central and State Governments modernisation/upgradation of State Police forces; reimbursement of security related expenditure; sanction of Special Central Assistance to the State Governments; declaration of some of the most seriously affected area as 'disturbed areas' and notification of some of the major insurgent groups as unlawful associations'. The situation is also kept under watch and is reviewed from time to time for taking appropriate action. Government have also renewed their appeal to militant groups to come forward for talks.

Increasing Activities of Foreign Terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir

†1196. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are determined to stop the increasing activities of foreign terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, whether there is a constant rise in the activities of terrorists in Srinagar during the past few months;

(c) whether Government are still considering to extend the time-limit of cease-fire; and

(d) if so, the logic behind this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Security Forces have been instructed to act decisively against any act of terrorist violence. After the unilateral peace initiative declared by the Government of India, there has been a marginal increase in the number of incidents of militant violence in J&K.

(c) and (d) The Government has examined all aspects of the question in its totality and benefited from the consultations in an all party meeting held on 21st Februrary, 2001. Accordingly it has decided to further extend the peace initiative period till the end of May, 2001, to provide a chance for peace which is what the people of J&K need.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.